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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of
4 Christopher John Pluta of Summit, who passed away on January
5 26, 2015; and

6 WHEREAS, Christopher Pluta was born in Justice to Edwin and
7 Helen Murphy Pluta; he graduated from Wilkins Junior High
8 School in Justice and Argo High School in Summit, where he was
9 an active member and former manager of the student-operated
10 WARG-FM radio station and a sound engineer for the theatre arts
11 program; in later years, he helped form the WARG Alumni
12 Association; he earned his bachelor's degree in education from
13 Governors State University and his master's degree in
14 counseling from the University of Illinois-Chicago; and

15 WHEREAS, Christopher Pluta taught English as a Second
16 Language at Argo Community High School; he also taught at
17 Proviso, Lyons Township, and Morton West high schools and at
18 the Emilio Zapata Academy in Chicago; over a 30-year career, he
19 mentored CEOs, business owners, artists, writers, principals,
20 and fellow teachers; and

21 WHEREAS, Christopher Pluta was a member of the District 217
22 and the Summit Public Library governing boards; he was a former

1 member of the Argo-Summit/Bedford Park Elementary District 104
2 School Board, the National Hispanic Institute, and The
3 LeaderShop in La Grange; and

4 WHEREAS, Christopher Pluta was a life-long Chicago Cubs
5 fan; and

6 WHEREAS, Christopher Pluta was preceded in death by his
7 parents; and

8 WHEREAS, Christopher Pluta is survived by his brothers, Joe
9 (Wanda), Bill, and James; his nephew, Michael; many close
10 friends and cousins; his aunt and uncle; and a legion of
11 students who became friends as adults; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
14 mourn the passing of Christopher John Pluta, and extend our
15 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew
16 and loved him; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Christopher Pluta as an expression
19 of our deepest sympathy.